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The Office of Logistics has reviewed your draft letter to the Chairman of the Subcommittee on Printing with respect to H.R. 5424, the "National Publications Act of 1979." This office agrees with the essence of your draft response and believes that if the suggested changes were made in the bill, the Agency's printing operations with respect to classified material would be exempt from the act. However, [] our Assistant General Counsel, has pointed out a problem that has plagued us for years. This deals with the Congressional approval or tacit approval by a staff member of the committee for the Agency to print unclassified material. While our printing people feel that they have authorization documents from the committee staff for such activities, they do agree there is doubt as to their legal worth, as [] points out.

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I would, therefore, suggest that in your response to the Chairman of the Subcommittee on Printing that words be included so that there shall be no misunderstanding that in fact we do print unclassified material such as the FBIS Daily Report as well as administrative reports, all generally on the basis of economy since the equipment is already in place or they are unique to this Agency.

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I have attached a copy of [] memo and would only point out that STAT with respect to the amount of unclassified printing as compared to the amount of classified printing in the Agency, it does not approach 50 percent of our total production. If one takes into consideration not only the entirety of OL's printing operations but also includes OTS and NPIC publications, a figure of closer to 10 percent is perhaps closer to the mark for unclassified printing production.

/s/ James H. McDonald

James H. McDonald
Director of Logistics

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